



CWS SIXTH FORM COURSE BOOKLET INFORMATION

SUBJECT: A LEVEL CLASSICAL CIVILISATION

EXAM BOARD: OCR

COURSE OUTLINE:

A Level Classical Civilisation is a broad, coherent and rewarding study of the literature and culture of the classical world. It offers learners the opportunity to study elements of the literature, visual/material culture and thought of the classical world, and acquire an understanding of their social, historical and cultural contexts. Students study subjects such as propaganda, war and warfare, epic heroes and love poetry. Classical Civilisation is an ideal subject to combine with English, Philosophy, Politics or History. There are no prior qualifications required for this subject.

EXAMINATION CRITERIA:

World of the Hero paper– 40% (2 hours 20 mins)

Literary techniques and composition

The heroic world: characterisation and themes

The social, cultural and religious context

Historical and political background

Culture and the Arts (Imperial Image) paper – 30% (1 hour 45 mins)

The Roman politician Augustus and his successful propaganda campaign

Beliefs and Ideas (Love and Relationships) paper – 30% (1 hour 45 mins)

The ethical questions raised by the ideas of love, desire, sex, sexuality and the institution of marriage

POTENTIAL JOBS IN THIS FIELD:

Journalist

Marketing executive

Academic researcher

Teacher

Civil Service

Museum curator

Archaeologist

Archivist

Author